

NEWS ADVISORY

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SEPT. 30 AGENDA---BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 9:30 A.M.

Presentations:

Sheriff's Deputy Dave Miklos is commended for winning the gold medal in the "Toughest Competitor Alive" competition held in Barcelona, Spain.

Popular rock group Culture Clash and Center Theatre Group/Mark Taper Forum Artistic Director Gordon Davidson are honored for presenting "Chavez Ravine," an historical play about Los Angeles.

Sister June Wilkerson, founder of the tattoo removal program at Providence-Holy Cross Medical Center, is honored for outstanding contributions to the community.

Agenda Items:

Approval sought to remove Elsmere and Blind Canyons from the County's future landfill site list. (Item 5)

South Pasadena fire stations proposed as drop-off sites for unwanted infants. (Item 6)

Supervisor Gloria Molina suggests Oct. 4 be declared "Lalo Guerrero Day" in honor of the musical artist's 60-year career and as historian of the Chicano community. (Item 9)

\$5,000 reward recommended for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) responsible for the hit-and-run accident that seriously injured Aluster Alford while crossing at a marked intersection in Los Angeles on Sept. 2. (Item 11)

Supervisors Zev Yaroslavsky and Michael D. Antonovich request Board to send letter to U.S. Bureau of the Census seeking creation of a County Civil Division to gather data on the entire San Fernando Valley. (Item 15)

Supervisors asked to approve \$310,000 contract for services to senior citizens, including Alzheimer day care center in the Antelope Valley. (Item 23)

Department of Community and Senior Services seeks approval of \$1.2 million contract for job readiness and placement assistance to youth emancipating from the County's foster care program. (Item 25)

District Attorney seeks authorization to accept \$1 million in state funds, with a \$114,774 County match, for a juvenile offender intervention network program. (Item 28)

Authorization sought for agreement with private company for percentage of gross receipts from any sales of salvage from the Hollywood Bowl Shell, memorabilia from the Shell and material from the construction site. (Item 37)

Department of Public Works seeks approval of \$3.1 million total budget for Vasquez Rocks Natural Area Center. (Item 40)

Board approval sought to accept \$50,000 from the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy to be used towards a \$160,000 study on the economic value of watershed techniques. (Item 46)

Sheriff's Department asks supervisors to approve \$60,000 purchase, utilizing a \$45,000 state grant, of a remote-operated vehicle for water-related rescues and recoveries of victims or evidence. (Item 65)

Settlements:

\$200,000 settlement recommended in case in which sheriff's deputy was accused of filing false reports. Settlement would also result in his promotion to sergeant. (Item 71, continued from 8-5, 8-26, 9-2, 9-9, 9-16 and 9-23)

Approval sought to settle for \$500,000 a medical negligence lawsuit stemming from treatment at King-Drew Medical Center in 1993. (Item 72)

Board considers approving \$382,500 settlement of case in which two children were sexually molested in the home of their mother while under supervision of Department of Children and Family Services. (Item 73)

Supervisors asked to approve \$1.5 million settlement of case in which newborn sustained injuries during birth in 2000 at Olive View/UCLA Medical Center. (Item 74)

Consideration given to approving \$175,000 settlement of wrongful death lawsuit brought by children whose mother died in 2001 while hospitalized at LAC+USC Medical Center. (Item 75)

\$250,000 settlement proposed for multi-plaintiff lawsuit filed by juveniles who were held in custody despite a judicial order for release. (Item 76)

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